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An Evening Echo.

If God had intended man to go backward He would have put eyes in the back of his head.—Charles Sandburg, "The Poet of Democracy."

Hats.

While fathers and husbands are sprinting around in these days of large feminine hats and millinery bills in order that they may keep up the proper appearances in their domestic establishments. It is of interest to learn how the fashion or custom of wearing large hats originated. It might possibly be of greater interest to the husbands and fathers to learn when the fashion is to cease, instead, but as there is no reliable data at hand concerning this unfathomable problem, the historical theory will have to do. The Huntington Dispatch tells us how it happened:

Some years ago when our ancestors were spending a large portion of their time cultivating a protective crop of hair and devouring each other at hunger's promptings, there arose in the land a bald headed woman. Far from being an object of pride she was the subject of derision. So she took the bark from trees and weaving it as cunningly as her opportunities allowed, made it into an article of concealment for her lack of hirsute adornment. She attracted little attention thereafter until one day, impelled by her savage tastes, she obtained the feathers of a wild turkey and stuck them into the openings made by weather and time in her head wear. Immediately all the men of that country smiled savagely upon her and she who had been neglected gorged herself complacently with the choice remnants of savory fish lavished upon her by male admirers. And because that woman attracted attention by the use of bark and feathers, the other women, moved by jealousy, did array themselves likewise.

So they have done ever since, wearing bark and furs and feathers and bits of metal appropriately shaped with which to keep charming heads in proximity to handsome hats. As the years passed on and cunning in the art of weaving these products has progressed, the results have become more extensive. The hat is still bark and fur and feathers and metal, but for them (with the lady) two seats on the street car are required, double doors in the home, absolute right of way on the sidewalk, and great care taken in turning corners. As for the men—well, they followed the women in the headgear (as they do in nearly everything else, except their tastes being more savage and not so refined, they are content with capping themselves with small, unventilated structures, needing no written guarantee for an assurance that the inevitable consequence of their use would be more bald heads.

The Democratic leaders in Romney give a very silly reason for nominating a straight Democratic municipal ticket there, if they were really prompted by what John Cornwell says they were in his newspaper. Mr. Cornwell informs the public that the reason they did it was because last year, when a mixed ticket, mostly Republican, was elected newspapers in the State said the Democratic town of Romney had gone Republican. The fact that the newspapers did say that certainly had no effect on the town government, as Mr. Cornwell himself admits, when he states in his newspaper "be it to the credit of the present council that it has served with efficiency and with re-

gard to the welfare of the town." Yet efficiency and welfare are ruthlessly thrown aside by the Democratic leaders in order that it may not be said the Democratic town of Romney has gone Republican. How foolish!

Doubtless a number of state university students will view with much satisfaction the recent ruling by the colleges in the Western Pennsylvania and West Virginia athletic league prohibiting any man who plays professional baseball in the summer from participating in any form of athletic sport, if the ruling will serve to break up the practice that has prevailed at the university of having one or two or three hero-worshipped stars who take charge of everything from baseball down to ten pins and backgammon. The other students will likely be glad to have the opportunity of showing what they can do in athletic contests.

In the complete exoneration of United States Marshal Frank H. Tyree of the Southern district in this State another solar-plexus blow has been given to those who avail themselves of the method of trumping up charges against men who do loyal party service. Mr. Tyree though a federal office holder certainly had the right to promote the welfare of his party so long as he did it honestly and decently, and it is gratifying to know that his enemies as well as those of the party did not accomplish their ends.

A few persons in the city are of the opinion that nothing is right concerning municipal affairs unless it is theirs. The people and the political parties are all wrong and the city is going to smash, they say. It is a pity about these fellows but undoubtedly a most fortunate thing that the people usually decide not to entrust them with the responsibilities they are forever seeking.

If Hon. A. B. White were to take a notion to run for congress in Harry Woodyard's district, it is a ten to one shot he would make it far more interesting for Woodyard than the Telegram's venerable friend, Presley Morris, and Governor White would prove himself an able congressman.

The slanderers of the nation having been called to account by the President are busily engaged in trying to excuse themselves by attacking the character of the President's language. But, that will not hide their guilt.

While Squire David was being buried, the county court was appointing P. M. Long Justice of the peace as successor to Justice David. God save the State and this honorable court!

If Charley Swisher really did help Sam Montgomery to get that government position, it must be said of Charley again as of yore that he never forgets a good turn, nor does he forget his friends.

What is the use to have Anglo-Saxon, if it is not to be used? President Roosevelt evidently believes in the use of it just the same.

DIES RETURNING FROM FUNERAL OF A FRIEND.

CEREDO, Dec. 18.—Conductor H. L. Jones dropped dead on an N. & W. train just below Ironton, O. He had come to Huntington with the body of a fellow conductor and was returning to Portsmouth from the funeral when he died. He married Miss Willis Beckleham, formerly of this place, at Portsmouth, O., two months ago.

EXTENSIVE

Building There Will be in Four States R. C. Lafferty Reports.

R. C. Lafferty, of the firm of Holmboe & Lafferty, architects, is on a tour of towns and cities in this state, Tennessee, Kentucky and Virginia in the interest of his firm. He is closing up several contracts the firm has had on hand and taking contracts for future work. He writes to his partner that there will be extensive building next spring in the states he is visiting and reports that he has secured several nice contracts.

TO VIRGINIA HOME.

The body of Clarence Clark, the young colored man who died in a local hospital Thursday morning of lock-jaw, will be sent to Berryville, Va., his former home, on train No. 4 tonight. Word was received from his relatives who requested the body to be sent there.

MUZZLE

Is Handed to Newspapers by Judge Jones at Night Riders' Trial.

UNION CITY, Tenn., Dec. 18.—At the opening of the night riders' trial this morning Judge Jones requested the newspaper representatives here not to report the testimony given at the trial. He said if the testimony of the trial he reported it would be impossible to secure jurors for the trial of the other night riders.

AGRICULTURAL SCHOOL TO BE HELD AT MANNINGTON.

MANNINGTON, Dec. 18.—Beginning next Thursday and continuing over Saturday at Mannington in the public school building there, the school of agriculture, horticulture and domestic science for Mannington district will be held. The school is arranged by State Supt. Thomas C. Miller and the West Virginia Department of Agriculture.

CHOIR SONG SERVICE

The choir of the First Presbyterian church will give a Christmas song service Sunday night in the church. It will be assisted by outside talent. A silver offering will be taken for the benefit of the choir. The service will be under the direction of Miss Cora Atchison.

MAGISTRATE'S COURT CLOSED.

In respect to the memory of James N. David, whose funeral took place Friday afternoon, Magistrate George H. Gordon closed his court on Third street Thursday night until 3:30 o'clock Friday afternoon.

RIGHT OF APPEAL

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the undoubted weight of well considered judicial authority as a valuer of his rights in this respect and as in the absence of some such provision of law as the Attorney General recommends guilty parties may escape from just punishment under the law as finally determined by the court of last resort.

He declares that the consistent policy of the Department of Justice during the year in enforcing the statutes intended to protect the interstate and foreign commerce of the country from evils arising through combinations in restraint of trade and attempts to create monopoly, as well as discriminations and other illegal practices on the part of common carriers engaged in such commerce, has been careful to investigate all complaints submitted to it, whether by public authorities or by responsible private citizens, and to authorize proceedings, whether civil or criminal, only when this investigation has shown the complaints to be serious and well founded, and that success might be reasonably expected.

He reports that this policy was attended during the year by a fair measure of success in the proceedings authorized and that as a consequence of decisions already obtained or expected soon the statutes dealing with such cases will soon be interpreted so authoritatively that those seeking to comply with the law will be relieved from all uncertainty as to what the law really is. He says that serious obstacles have been encountered in enforcing the statutes and that these may be with advantage readily removed by further legislation.

"The United States has had occasion of late years, and will probably have occasion in the future," he says, "to prosecute criminally many corporations or other artificial persons. As such offenders cannot be physically arrested, it is obviously desired that a simple and convenient form of process shall be prescribed by law to have the legal effect of an actual arrest and removal to the trial district in the case of a natural person."

He reports that many communications have been received asking the government to take action to procure temporary injunctions against the collection of increased rates on freight by various railroads, claiming that such rates, although duly filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission, had been adopted in fact through agreements between competing railroads in violation of the Sherman Anti-Trust law. He reports that, as applications had al-

ready been made in a majority of these cases to the Interstate Commerce Commission, he deemed it inappropriate to institute proceedings looking to the procurement of temporary injunctions, the principal purpose of which would be to keep the old rates in force pending the decision of the Interstate Commerce Commission.

Two classes of cases which have engaged a large part of the attention of the Department, the Attorney General reports have been prosecutions for peonage and civil and criminal proceedings arising out of alleged frauds and irregularities in the acquisition of title by private parties to the public lands. "In both cases," he says, "I am happy to report that the energetic prosecution of offenders has undoubtedly rendered the crimes less frequent, and also less profitable. It is notoriously difficult to secure convictions in peonage cases, owing to the antecedents and surroundings of the victims and witnesses and the frequent existence of strong local sympathy for the defendants." He reports, however, that through the determination of the department the frequency of these offenses has diminished materially, although they are still by no means unknown. "The land fraud cases," he says, "have forcibly illustrated the unfortunate consequences of administrative laxity and toleration of abuses in the enforcement of any laws curbing a considerable length of time."

"The number and gravity of offenses against the national banking laws by officers or employees of national banks constitute matters of reasonable solicitude and regret," he states. "The moral culpability involved in such offenses seems often to be imperfectly appreciated and, although they usually excite great indignation and provoke loud complaints from the sufferers when they are first discovered, so much time is frequently lost in the preparation for trial and actual trial of these long and complicated cases that the crime itself has faded from public memory when the criminal is at last convicted, and there is need of vigilance lest he finally escape with wholly insufficient punishment."

In his opinion as a matter of justice no good reason exists why a warrant of arrest issued by any court of the United States should not be directly executed in any part of the United States. He asserts that it has been found that certain districts constitute for practical purposes sanctuaries for certain classes of offenders against federal statutes. He believes that there should be a law giving committing magistrates of the United States authority to issue search warrants when stolen government property or any property which it is a crime against the United States to misappropriate is believed to be concealed. In regard to the supervision of naturalization by his department he says that the appropriation granted is too small for the work to be done thoroughly. As to jury challenges on behalf of the United States he says there is no good reason why the defendant should be allowed a larger number of peremptory challenges than the prosecution in a criminal trial and that it is often difficult under the present rules to bring to justice offenders as to whose guilt there is no reasonable doubt. He renews his recommendation that the salaries of federal judges be increased owing to the increase in the cost of living since they were last adjusted.

Tea social tonight at the Rink.

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New Coats, Very Special \$9.95	New Coats, Very Special \$15.00	12.50, 15.00 and 18.50 Coats \$5.00
Handsome line of long Empire Coats, also semi-fitting and loose back coats. All are full length, 42 to 48 inches. Come in manish mixtures, plain cloths, colors and black. At this special price you will find coats that are worth \$12.50 and \$15.00. This season's best styles. Sale price	Coats that you would judge were \$20 and \$25 values. Elegant styles and materials, trimmed and tailored in the very latest fashion, full length, 48 to 52 inch lengths, lined with best satin to waist. Some have the new stand-up collars, others with coat collars inlaid with velvet. Sale price	Special assortment of handsome Coats, 1907 styles. Those wishing a splendid coat for little money could not find anything so good for double the price. All full lengths, 42 to 48 inches, manish mixtures, black and plain colors. Select your selections early. Sale price
9.95	15.00	5.00

These Special Items are for Saturday Night Only
Saturday Night AFTER SUPPER SALE Saturday Night
December 19th December 19th

- 8½c Outing Cloth 3½c

Another case of 8 1-2c outing cloth, 2,000 yards, excellent quality, light and dark styles, mostly neat checks and stripes and broken plaids. Regular value 8 1-2c. This lot will go quickly. Saturday night at 3 7-8c. Tell your neighbors and friends about these wonderful values.

50c Underwear, Vests and Pants 24c

Sixty dozen Ladies' Vests and Pants, regular 50c garments, fine ribbed, silk taped, and a hand finished fronts, beautiful quality; some are slightly soiled and a drop stitch may be found in a few, though it will not impair the wearing qualities of the garment. All sizes, 4, 5 and 6. Choice, Saturday night only, 24c a garment.

\$7.50 Silk Petticoats \$3.98

Black and colors, some are made with deep under ruffle of cotton taffeta, others with under ruffle of all silk. All are made extra large and full, made of excellent quality rustling taffeta silk; most all colors in the assortment, also black. Sale price, \$3.98.

Excellent Fur Scarfs \$1.39

Beautiful Fur Scarfs, trimmed in tails, made of excellent shade of glossy brown fur. They look like a \$5.00 bill, and some stores would sell them for that. Give one for Xmas, or treat yourself to one at \$1.39.

\$1.25 Yard Wide Taffetas 89c

Handsome quality, our regular \$1.25 Silks, most all colors in the assortment, also white and black. Come early, they will go quickly. Limited quantity only of some colors.

12½c and 15c Flannelettes 7½c

Beautiful line of Dress and Wrapper Styles, also Kimona styles, some pretty styles for Waists, all new this season, excellent quality at 12 1-2c yard and some 15c. Sale price 7 3-4c yard.

65c Vests and Pants 33c

Handsome bleached garments, white as snow, hand finished silk trimmings, silk taped, made of very fine quality of cotton, soft and elastic. Come in all sizes, 4, 5 and 66. For Saturday night only 33c a garment.

Children's Coats were \$6.50, \$5.00 and \$4.00 at \$1.98

Beautiful line of Coats to select from, sizes range from 1 to 6 years, in Cloths as well as Bearskins. Most all colors to select from. Give the little one a new coat for Xmas. Saturday night only, \$1.98.

7½c Unbleached Muslin 4½c

You will agree with us that this yard-wide Muslin is dirt cheap at 7 1-2c yard, and at the price is less than cost to make. Fine quality. This burl should go out quickly at the sale price, only 4 7-8c yard.

\$6.98, \$10.00 and \$12.50 Lace Waists \$4.98

Handsome Lace Waists, just one or two of a style, most all sizes in the assortment. Beautiful waists and ones that you will appreciate at this wonderful low price. Saturday night, \$4.98.

Store Open Every Night From Now Until Christmas

Samuel Bradley, a well known traveling salesman, is here from Wheeling, a guest at the Traders hotel.

Tea social tonight at the Rink.

BAZAR.

The ladies of the New Church Workers Society will hold their annual bazar and sale Friday and Saturday of this week in the room on Fourth street recently vacated by the Blue Front restaurant. They will have on sale fancy articles, aprons, home-made cake and candy.

Tea social tonight at the Rink.

The "Tater Gets Mushy."

How is the sweet potato holding out down at Charleston, Mr. Gazette? Up here it is getting kind of mushy. The "tater"—well it is mossier, finer, better, more popular than ever.—Parkersburg State Journal.

Ladies admitted free tonight at the Rink.

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